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1. REFTTEL B CONVEYS THE COMMUNITY'S APRIL 15 RESPONSE TO
THE SECRETARY'S APRIL 12 MESSAGE ON VIETNAM. THE EMBASSY
SHOULD TRANSMIT ORALLY THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM THE
SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER FITZGERALD.

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2. BEGIN TEXT:

(A) ALTHOUGH THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY MAY DIVERGE ON SOME POINTS WITH REGARD TO VIETNAM, I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR RESPONSE TO MY MESSAGE IN THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP AND SHARED CONCERN WITH WHICH I KNOW IT WAS CAST. I CONTINUE TO PLACE HIGH PRIORITY ON CLOSE RAPPORT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE AND TO VALUE CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMUNITY ON VIETNAM AND OTHER MAJOR AREAS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

(B) OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE AT THIS TIME IS TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HALT THE FIGHTING AND ACHIEVE A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT TO THE STRIFE IN VIETNAM. EVENTS THERE ARE MOVING RAPIDLY. THE GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM HAS MADE

REPEATED UNCONDITIONAL OFFERS TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT. PRESIDENT THIEU HAS RESIGNED IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION. ANY ACTION BY THE EC TO ENCOURAGE A FORTHCOMING RESPONSE BY THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT AND DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL.

(C) YOUR OFFERS OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE ARE A WELCOME EXPRESSION OF COMPASSION FOR THE HUMAN SUFFERING IN VIETNAM. I HAVE BEEN PLEASED TO NOTE THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF COMMUNITY AND EC MEMBER STATE RELIEF BEING OFFERED BILATERALLY AND THROUGH VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES. SINCE PROMPT ACTION MAY BE ESSENTIAL TO ALLEVIATE EVEN MORE SUFFERING, WE ENCOURAGE CONSULTATION AND/OR COORDINATION WITH YOU ON THE QUESTION OF HUMANITARIAN AID. PRESIDENT FORD HAS APPOINTED FORMER DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE L. DEAN BROWN TO HEAD A SPECIAL TASK FORCE ON EVACUATION AND REFUGEE MATTERS. ONE OF OUR MOST IMMEDIATE CONCERNS IS TO LOCATE PERMANENT THIRD-COUNTRY SETTLEMENT FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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